Preventative Health and Health Equity – UK Full Fee Scholarships

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| **BANGOR UNIVERSITY ELIGIBILITY, ALLOCATION PROCESS TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND APPLICATION FORM** |

Intensive Learning Academies, Full Fee Scholarships Allocation Policy

**1. THE PURPOSE OF THE AWARDS**

Welsh Government wish to support professional learners in the NHS, Social Care and Third Sectors in Wales to undertake education and personal development in key policy areas and have established an Academy programme for this purpose. Grant funding from Welsh Government allows each Academy to offer a number of generous scholarships for eligible applicants.

Full fee scholarships are available at Bangor University on the PG Cert/PG Diploma/ MSc Preventative Health and Health Equity programmes and some individual flexible delivery modules. There are limited number of funded places and these will be allocated in line with the criteria below.

If you would like to discuss your application for a funded place please complete the enquiry form which can be found here.

**2. APPLICATION PROCESS**

i. Students follow the standard Bangor University application process.

ii. Students can apply for a funded place alongside their application for a place on the programme but applications for the funded places will only be considered following the decision that they are eligible for a place on the programme.

iii. Students need to complete the application form below including the statement of support from their employer.

iv. The award of Scholarships will be decided by the ALPHAcademy Scholarships Panel and applicants will be advised. Those unsuccessful in the scholarship awards may take up their place as self-funding learners if they wish to do so.

v. Applications for Scholarships must be made by the Monday 16th of August 2021 at 5pm. Applicants will be notified of the panel’s decision by the 31st August 2021.**ANDNDIT**

vi. Students will not be paid the scholarship funding but will receive a notification on enrolment that their fees have been paid.

**3. SCHOLARSHIP AWARDING PROCESS**

i. Scholarships will be awarded by the ALPHAcademy Scholarships Panel. The panel consists of the Academy Lead, Programme Lead, Module Coordinator and an external from another department within the University.

ii. Full fee scholarships are awarded on the evidence of the greatest benefit to the applicant, their employer and the patients, service users or community that they support as well as contributing towards the outcomes of a Healthier Wales1. This decision will be based upon the evidence submitted in the application form from the applicant and their employer. In the event that not all scholarships are awarded, unallocated funded places will be carried forward for future courses.

iii. The panel will agree in each funding round the exact allocation of scholarships in line with the amount of funding available and any unallocated places carried forward from previous cohorts. Funding will be allocated across full and part-time modes of study in line with demand and the quality of applicants. Scholarships will be allocated to reflect an intention to support learners from all targeted groups (Health care, Social Care, Public Sector and the Voluntary Sector).

iv. Applications will be scored as set out in the application form at Appendix 1 below and ranked in each sector and scholarships allocated in line with the target groups above and the quality of applications received.

v. Applicants who are not satisfied with the decision of the ALPHAcademy Scholarships Panel should contact alphacademy@bangor.ac.uk in the first instance.

vi. A report on the allocation of funding will be produced.

**4. ELIGIBILITY**

i. Applicants need to meet the entry requirements for a place on the relevant programme.

ii. Applicants must be:
o Currently working with/for health care, social care, public sector and the voluntary Sector in Wales, and
o Have confirmation of support signed by their employer using the proforma provided by the University and
o A UK national or have 'settled status' (that means no restrictions on how long applicants can stay in the UK); and

o Living in the UK and Islands for the three years prior to the first day of the first academic year of your course.

iii. Applicants must be applying for a ALPHAcademy programme or flexible delivery module commencing academic year 2021-22.

iv. Fee Scholarships are available to candidates applying to full-time and part-time programmes of study.

v. The Scholarships are non-means tested i.e. will not depend on an applicant’s family income.

vi. Students who already have full or partial funding will not be considered.

1 https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2019-04/in-brief-a-healthier-wales-our-plan-for-health-and-social- care.pdf

**5. TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

i. A full scholarship covers the full module/programme fee as per the original application for that academic year. Part-time candidates have their fee scholarship pro-rated to cover their fees over the duration of the programme.

ii. Candidates should apply for their fee scholarship alongside their application for a place on the programme. Candidates should send their scholarship application (see Appendix 1 below) to alphacademy@bangor.ac.uk.

iii. The Scholarship will be offset against Tuition Fee costs and candidates cannot receive the scholarship directly.

iv. Scholarships cannot be deferred; candidates must take up the scholarship by the date stated in the award letter.

v. Any scholarship offered to a candidate but declined prior to enrolment, will be offered to a reserve candidate. Candidates will be notified as soon as possible, however, candidates on the reserve list are advised to look at alternative funding options as there is no guarantee a Scholarship will become available.

vi. Scholarship holders will be encouraged to participate in University marketing and recruitment activities.

vii. A requirement of the Scholarship is that you complete2 your studies.

Once awarded a Scholarship, if a student withdraws from their Postgraduate degree or module, the Scholarship will be cancelled in full and the student may become liable\* for full repayment of any scholarship amount already offset against tuition fees. \**Students who withdraw on basis of compelling personal reasons (for example, health, maternity) may not be liable for full repayment of Scholarship.*

viii. If it is deemed necessary for a Scholarship holder to suspend their studies, the Scholarship will be adjusted pro- rata up to the start of absence and the balance of the scholarship held on University account and carried forward to the year of resumption of studies.

**6. DATA PROTECTION**

i. By applying to be a Bangor University scholarship student, Bangor University will be required to collect, store, use and otherwise process information about you for purposes connected with the application process and for reasons deemed necessary in order to take steps prior to entering into a contractual agreement with the University. Further detail on the type of information which will be processed can be found in the Privacy Notice for Prospective and Current Students on our website:  <https://www.bangor.ac.uk/governance-and-compliance/dataprotection/documents/Student-Data-Protection-Statement-Approved-October-2020.pdf>

2 Completion in this context constitutes the attendance at the entire course and completion of the required assessments.

**APPENDIX 1: APPLICATION FORM**

*Please submit your completed scholarship application form to* *alphacademy@bangor.ac.uk*

Part 1: Your personal information so that we can link this application to your programme application

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| Full Name: |  |
| Postcode: |  |
| Email Address: |  |
| Programme / Module applied for: |  |
| Date Application for programme submitted:  |  |

Part 2: How the course will benefit you, your organisation and the patients / service users you work with.

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| Please tell us the sector, employer and setting in which you work and how your current role is aligned with the outcomes of this module/programme (Maximum 300 words – 5 points allocated) |
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| How will your learning contribute to delivering the outcomes of a Healthier Wales? (Maximum 300 words – 5 points allocated) |
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| What impact will this course have for your organisation and service users (Maximum 300 words – 5 points allocated) |
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**PART 3: EMPLOYER STATEMENT**

To be completed by the applicant’s line manager or relevant senior manager

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| Please discuss how your organisation will benefit from the learner’s participation on the programme and what impact you expect it to create. (Maximum 300 words – 5 points allocated) |
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| Please confirm that if successful, the applicant will be supported to have sufficient protected time to complete the programme and project and undertake the self-directed learning required. |
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| Name: |
| Job Title: |
| Date: |
| Signed by: |
| On behalf of (organisation name): |